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Delegations will find attached the EU Statement on the Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) in the Western Balkans by 2024, as adopted by the Council (Competitiveness, Internal Market, Industry and Research) on 29 November 2018.

EU Statement on the Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) in the Western Balkans by 2024

The Council takes good note of the Franco-German initiative for comprehensive SALW control in the Western Balkans, launched in Podgorica, Montenegro, on 1-2 February 2018 and its “Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) and their ammunition in the Western Balkans by 2024”, and recalls Council Decision (CFSP) of 19 November 2018 in support of the South-Eastern and Eastern Europe Clearing House for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SEESAC) for the implementation of the Regional Roadmap on combatting illicit arms trafficking in the Western Balkans. The Council takes note of the intention of the Commission and the EEAS to take into account the above mentioned Roadmap in all relevant Action Plans and Programs and to support the coordination and monitoring of the implementation of the Roadmap objectives as of 2020.
